

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q77053

Masahiko YAMADA

Appln. No.: 10/644,759

Group Art Unit: 2621

Confirmation No.: 7296

Examiner: Daniel G. MARIAM

Filed: August 21, 2003

For: **METHOD, APPARATUS AND PROGRAM FOR SIMILARITY JUDGMENT**  
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of November 22, 2006 to May 22, 2007.

The statutory fee of \$1020.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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